## SOIL CONSERVATION—WATERSHED PROTECTION AND FLOOD CONTROL—WORK PLANS

## **CHAPTER 431 73**

S. B. No. 406

An Act authorizing the State Soil Conservation Board to contract for the development of work plans for watershed protection and flood prevention; and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. The State Soil Conservation Board is hereby authorized to contract with an agency or agencies of the State of Texas, or of the United States, or with private firm or firms, for the development of such plans as may be necessary for securing detailed information for and development of work plans for location, design, installation and construction of structures and other works of improvement for the reduction and prevention of floods in State approved watershed protection and flood prevention projects of 250,000 acres or less.

Sec. 2. The progressive flooding of fertile lands and damages to rural and urban properties, roads, highways, bridges, utilities, livestock, the sedimentation of streams and reservoirs, and the loss of human lives create an imperative public necessity that the Constitutional Rule requiring all bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and said Rule is hereby suspended; and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed the Senate, April 27, 1961: Yeas 30, Nays 0; passed the House, May 18, 1961, by a non-record vote.

Approved June 17, 1961.

Effective 90 days after May 29, 1961, date of adjournment.

73. Vernon's Ann.Civ.St. art. 165a-4a.